

**IN THE CLAIMS**

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1. **(Currently Amended)** A reusable sealable plastic drum comprising  
  
a plastic drum body with a convex upper chime having a convex chime radius and with a side wall having a generally horizontal drum flange extending therefrom and disposed below said chime,  
  
a plastic lid having a cover flange and an annular, peripheral mating channel sized to accept said upper chime, said channel having an inner wall, an outer wall, a mouth for receiving said upper chime, and a base surface for engaging said upper chime, said base surface having a concave radius, which is matched to said convex chime radius, and  
  
a lockband [surrounding said outer wall] engaging said drum flange and said cover flange, whereby tightening of said lockband causes said concave base surface to [fully] directly engage said convex chime in a sealing relationship.
  2. **(Currently Amended)** The reusable sealable plastic drum of Claim 1, additionally comprising an auxiliary gasket compressable between said cover flange and said drum flange when said lockband is tightened.
  3. **(Unchanged)** The reusable sealable plastic drum of Claim 1, wherein said drum body and said lid are made from polypropylene.

4. **(Unchanged)** The reusable sealable plastic drum of Claim 1, wherein said upper chime has a top width of about 0.190 inch.

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